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India Resolves 2 NAI Outbreaks in Odisha State

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Report Highlights:

On June 25, 2012, the Government of India notified the World Organisation for Animal Health that two notifiable avian influenza (NAI) were resolved. Odisha State's Keranga and Nayapalli areas were declared NAI free with effect from April 30 and June 5, 2012, respectively.

General Information:

India declares end to two Odisha State NAI outbreaks: On June 25, 2012, the Government of India's (GOI) Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries notified the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) that two notifiable avian influenza (NAI) were resolved. The notification is available on the OIE's website and can be accessed at: June25, 2012 OIE notification. The first reported outbreak occurred in Odisha's Khurda district near Keranga and was reported on January 11, 2012 (See GAIN IN2007). The second outbreak was reported on a government run poultry farm in Odisha's Nayapalli village, Bhubaneswar municipality, on February 4, 2012 (See GAIN IN2020). Following measures taken to control and contain the outbreak, the GOI declared the Keranga and Nayapalli areas NAI free with effect from April 30 and June 5, 2012, respectively.

In addition to the two NAI cases in Odisha's Keranga and Nayapalli areas, India reported a third outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza. This outbreak was found in rural backyard poultry in Odisha's Mayurbhanj area and was reported on January 18, 2012 (see GAIN IN2010). The GOI has not declared the Mayurbhanj area NAI-free.

Regional NAI freedom in Odisha State: On June 19, 2012, India declared NAI freedom for a particular region (Meghalaya State), rather than the entire country for the first time (see GAIN IN2084). Given this precedent, it is possible that India will declare NAI freedom for Odisha as soon as it declares the Mayurbhanj area NAI-free.